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MEMORANDA.

Population.—The estimated population of New South Wales on 31st December, 1906, was 1,530,940. This shows an increase for the year of 34,890, or at the rate of 2·33 per cent. The birth-rate, 27·01 per 1,000 of population, showed a slight recovery, and the death-rate, 9·91 per 1,000 was the lowest on record.

Trade.—The imports during February were valued at £3,019,740, which shows the large increase of £654,509, as compared with the corresponding month of last year. For the first two months there was an increase of £1,879,520, as compared with last year. The direct oversea imports during February amounted to £1,625,635, as compared with £1,307,032 in 1906. There were increases in all the principal articles, more especially in apparel and soft goods, animals, metal manufactures, machinery, and gold. There was a falling-off in tobacco and sugar.

The oversea exports for February amounted to £3,193,924, and also show an increase of £22,427, compared with the corresponding month of last year. For the first two months there was an increase in the oversea exports of £940,177. Most of the principal articles show slight increases, the highest being exhibited by copper, wheat, and wool, but gold and tin showed a falling-off.

Banks.—The banking averages for the quarter ended 31st December, 1906, show that the deposits, which have continued to grow, exceeded the advances by £5,004,896. Compared with the corresponding quarter of 1905, deposits were £2,349,437 greater, reserves of coin and bullion were £1,315,897 less, and advances were £1,967,938 greater.

Railways.—The report on railways for the quarter ended 31st December, shows very satisfactory results. Compared with the corresponding quarter of last year, the earnings show an increase of £139,570, and the expenditure an increase of only £22,714, the net result being an improvement of £116,856. There was an improvement in all classes of traffic. Relatively, the earnings increased by 4½d. per train mile, and the expenditure decreased by 1½d. per train mile.

Mineral Production, 1906.—The value of the minerals won in New South Wales during 1906 was £7,912,716, there being the large increase of £1,015,635 over the value for 1905. To the total gold contributed £1,078,866, which was lower than in 1905; silver and silver-lead, £2,862,973, the largest value since 1893; coal, £2,337,227; and copper, £789,527, both the largest on record. The largest increases during the year were shown in silver-lead, coal, and copper.

Prices.—The general index number for February was slightly higher than in January, and considerably higher than in any February of the last six years. The index number for pastoral produce was 1,418, for metals 1,619, and for all articles 1,377. Prices generally were about the same as in January, but lead and tin are still rising.

Meteorology.—During February the rainfall was fairly general throughout the State, and, on the whole, was above the average.

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No. 1.—Population.

Year.	Estimated Population at end of Year.				Annual Increase.		Mean Population.
	Males.	Females.	Total.	Numerical.	Per cent.		
1896	680,185	598,785	1,278,970	16,700	1.32	1,270,620	
1897	692,090	609,690	1,301,780	22,810	1.78	1,290,375	
1898	701,815	621,315	1,323,130	21,350	1.64	1,312,455	
1899	710,520	633,560	1,344,080	20,950	1.58	1,333,605	
1900	718,995	645,595	1,364,590	20,510	1.53	1,354,335	
1901	723,035	656,496	1,379,531	14,941	1.09	1,372,060	
1902	740,775	666,846	1,407,621	28,090	2.04	1,393,622	
1903	754,632	676,997	1,431,629	24,008	1.70	1,422,803	
1904	773,234	688,299	1,461,533	29,904	2.09	1,446,440	
1905	794,400	701,650	1,496,050	34,517	2.36	1,478,600	
1906	815,070	715,870	1,530,940	34,890	2.33	1,514,250	

No. 2.—Marriages, Births, and Deaths.

Year.	Marriages.	Births.		Deaths.		Excess of Births over Deaths.	
		Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Numerical.	Per 1,000 of Population.
1896	8,495	18,691	17,815	9,256	6,583	20,667	16.27
1897	8,813	18,989	18,258	8,314	5,950	22,983	17.81
1898	8,888	18,723	17,499	9,636	7,025	19,561	14.90
1899	9,275	18,613	17,848	9,131	6,770	20,560	15.42
1900	9,996	18,964	18,182	8,951	6,167	22,028	16.26
1901	10,538	19,149	18,726	9,327	6,694	21,854	15.93
1902	10,486	19,322	18,513	9,535	7,111	21,189	15.20
1903	9,759	18,377	17,589	9,428	7,069	19,469	13.68
1904	10,422	19,857	18,810	8,733	6,627	23,307	16.11
1905	10,970	20,206	19,295	8,709	6,269	24,523	16.59
1906	11,530	21,030	19,868	8,709	6,234	25,895	17.10
Oct. to Dec., 1906	2,925	5,228	5,058	2,202	1,642	6,442	.....
Oct. to Dec., 1905	2,706	4,978	4,710	2,149	1,556	5,983	.....

No. 3.—Movement of Population.

Year.	Arrivals.						Departures.					
	By Sea.		By Land.		Total.		By Sea.		By Land.		Total.	
	Males.	Females	Males.	Females			Males.	Females	Males.	Females		
1896	40,683	21,950	41,290	23,456	127,379		44,429	23,458	39,314	24,145	131,346	
1897	44,780	22,236	45,357	25,992	138,365		43,039	22,572	45,868	27,059	138,538	
1898	49,186	26,340	44,340	25,600	145,466		46,945	24,453	45,943	26,336	143,677	
1899	49,960	27,674	46,358	25,625	149,617		47,817	23,746	49,278	28,386	149,227	
1900	45,585	23,198	51,783	30,747	151,313		45,259	21,931	53,647	31,994	152,831	
1901	50,234	25,905	56,341	31,132	163,612		44,332	25,168	68,025	33,000	170,525	
1902	54,942	26,249	52,128	27,381	160,700		42,085	25,407	57,032	29,275	153,799	
1903	46,121	24,449	54,320	27,464	152,354		39,529	24,997	56,004	28,185	147,815	
1904	48,700	24,278	54,994	28,287	156,259		39,492	24,128	56,724	29,318	149,662	
1905	47,872	26,298	62,987	35,142	172,299		38,850	24,768	62,340	36,347	162,305	
1906	50,257	29,208	71,529	42,342	193,336		41,796	27,005	71,641	43,899	184,341	
Oct. to Dec., 1906	14,620	8,375	19,838	11,127	53,960		11,946	7,670	21,318	13,108	54,042	
Oct. to Dec., 1905	12,421	7,323	16,604	10,240	46,588		9,426	6,085	17,658	11,032	44,201	

No. 4.—Countries whence Immigrants arrived.

Year.	Other Australian States.			United Kingdom.	New Zealand.	Other Countries.	Total.
	By Land.	By Sea.					
1900	82,530		45,962	4,857	9,770	8,194	151,313
1901	87,473		46,982	4,579	13,706	10,872	163,612
1902	79,509		46,899	4,864	13,161	16,267	160,700
1903	81,784		42,529	4,249	12,868	10,924	152,354
1904	83,281		42,910	4,842	14,314	10,912	156,259
1905	98,129		44,315	4,859	15,093	9,903	172,299
1906	113,871		48,294	5,641	16,525	9,005	193,336
Oct. to Dec., 1906	30,965		14,234	2,263	3,704	2,794	53,960
Oct. to Dec., 1905	26,844		12,226	1,991	2,930	2,597	46,588

No. 5.—Countries for which Emigrants departed.

Year.	Other Australian States.			United Kingdom.	New Zealand.	Other Countries.	Total.
	By Land.	By Sea.					
1900	85,641		42,863	5,798	9,477	9,052	152,831
1901	101,025		43,426	5,221	12,159	8,694	170,525
1902	86,307		36,540	5,956	12,803	12,193	153,799
1903	84,189		34,999	5,136	13,204	10,377	147,815
1904	86,042		35,920	5,837	12,782	9,081	149,662
1905	98,687		36,706	5,501	12,310	9,101	162,305
1906	115,540		39,468	4,627	15,452	9,254	184,341
Oct. to Dec., 1906	34,426		10,856	526	6,239	1,995	54,042
Oct. to Dec., 1905	28,690		9,234	605	3,734	1,938	44,201

No. 6.—Principal Articles Imported, 1906 and 1905.

Article.	1906.			1905.		
	Interstate. ‡	Direct Oversea.	Total.	Interstate.	Oversea.	Total.
Ale and Beer	18,820	118,229	137,049	34,961	116,911	151,872
Animals, Living	1,835,445	59,621	1,895,066	1,497,916	35,299	1,533,215
Apparel and Attire	362,447	889,733	1,252,180	356,366	775,523	1,131,889
Piece Goods	239,411	2,710,081	2,949,492	244,312	2,432,180	2,676,492
Boots and Shoes	172,579	115,381	287,960	186,882	104,096	290,978
Cordage and Twines	28,921	39,611	68,532	33,156	32,228	65,384
Drugs and Chemicals	37,106	158,052	195,158	21,220	157,228	178,448
Fish—all kinds	8,093	98,577	106,670	21,743	84,204	105,947
Fruits and Vegetables	305,628	105,559	411,187	488,717	68,084	556,801
Furniture	28,054	97,782	125,836	32,040	81,811	113,851
Glass and Glassware	11,399	113,189	124,588	21,937	94,720	116,657
Gold—Coined and Uncoin ...	3,516,828	1,586,999	5,103,827	3,550,994	957,380	4,508,374
Hats and Caps	49,856	151,809	201,665	53,963	148,179	202,142
Implements, &c., Agricultural	140,248	79,101	219,349	174,732	89,293	264,025
Iron and Steel—Bar, Rod, &c.	1,995	311,445	313,440	25,088	221,970	247,058
Galvanized Sheet 6	296,066	296,072	31,588	251,912	283,500	
Leather	102,423	168,956	271,379	95,155	109,552	204,705
Machines and Machinery ...	103,651	800,353	904,004	169,156	763,919	933,075
Metal Manufactures—Free ...	5,472	780,596	786,068	60,347	521,993	582,340
Dutiable 87,719	427,747	515,466	109,560	401,124	510,684	
Oil—Kerosene ... ...	.....	111,785	111,785	12,441	128,776	140,217
Spirits—all kinds	30,608	330,171	360,779	68,486	327,948	396,434
Sugar	860,284	190,466	1,050,750	622,446	111,110	733,556
Tea ... ...	.....	381,069	381,069	38,438	335,432	373,870
Timber	92,619	526,413	619,032	177,308	336,698	514,006
Tobacco, Cigars, &c. ...	119,460	258,371	377,831	124,184	203,401	327,585
Wool	1,469,316	1,385	1,470,701	1,129,709	2,534	1,132,243
All other Articles	5,662,810	6,694,956	12,357,766	5,557,042	5,591,618	11,148,660
Total	£ 15,291,198	17,603,503	32,894,701	14,938,885	14,485,123	29,424 008

No. 7.—Principal Articles Exported, 1906 and 1905.

Article.	1906.			1905.		
	Quantities.		Value.	Value.		Value.
	Interstate. ‡	Direct Oversea.		Interstate. ‡	Oversea.	
Animals, Living	£ 1,979,130	92,210	2,101,458	144,989
Butter lb.	24,023,160	44,302	1,003,423	93,947	723,873	
Coal tons.	2,957,381	891,446	892,179	772,851	792,751	
Copper, Ingots, & Matte ewt.	400,921	*	1,627,458	2,851	1,232,048	
Gold—Coined and Uncoin ...	.....	691,772	5,932,214	474,896	2,578,415
Grain—Wheat cental	2,524,340	257,085	689,918	194,256	761,437	
Flour "	778,793	177,051	285,482	131,120	258,707	
Lead—Pig, and Matte ...	.....	870,345	635,621	462,162	610,666
Leather ... ...	.....	149,181	329,267	104,798	339,813
Meats—Mutton and Lamb lb.	50,972,771	*	538,771	39,734	576,233	
Rabbits and Hares prs.	5,938,518	*	246,803	1,500	143,708	
Oil—Cocoanut ... cwt.	108,319	*	151,292	4,012	112,401	
Ores ... ...	.....	*	277,959	9,200	303,012
Silver Bullion, &c. ... oz.	850,830	*	105,155	191,761	96,517	
Silver-lead Bullion	686,774	*	655,011	.....	572,283
§Silver-lead Ore ... cwt.	880,740	*	446,921	42,760	152,869	
Skins—Hides No.	131,999	82,728	146,303	86,208	162,295	
Sheep "	3,116,880	90,899	403,166	79,190	350,389	
Rabbit and Hare lb.	7,526,916	*	298,532	9,004	100,180	
Other ... ...	.....	*	415,678	2,942	264,214
Spelter, Concentrates, &c. ewt.	354,053	239,510	86,505	1,206,997	43,946	
Tallow "	363,989	16,518	470,023	11,927	482,403	
Timber ... ...	.....	42,219	352,622	29,387	323,878
Tin, Ingots cwt.	78,334	*	700,806	1,238	464,811	
Wool—Greasy and Scoured lb.	237,650,153	3,241,035	12,302,149	2,304,925	11,141,335	
All other Articles ... ...	.....	*	1,901,664	3,804,330	1,730,277
Total	£	14,231,503	30,987,132	12,263,472	24,493,532

* Not yet available.
subject to alterations.† See Silver-lead Ore.
§ See Spelter, Concentrates, &c.

‡ Information compiled from preliminary returns; may be

No. 8.—Trade.

Year.	Imports.			Exports.		
	Interstate.	Oversea.	Total.	Interstate.	Oversea.	Total.
1896 ...	£ 8,855,161	£ 11,706,349	£ 20,561,510	£ 7,945,243	£ 15,065,106	£ 23,010,349
1897 ...	8,972,854	12,771,496	21,744,350	7,788,077	15,962,995	23,751,072
1898 ...	11,721,033	12,732,527	24,453,560	8,162,429	19,485,688	27,648,117
1899 ...	10,868,437	14,725,878	25,594,315	8,862,274	19,583,192	28,445,466
1900 ...	10,164,080	17,396,991	27,561,071	9,979,214	18,185,302	28,164,516
1901 ...	9,368,011	17,560,207	26,928,218	9,140,497	18,210,625	27,351,122
1902 ...	10,949,675	15,024,535	25,974,210	7,568,922	15,975,129	23,544,051
1903 ...	12,792,252	13,977,917	26,770,169	7,876,898	18,861,213	26,738,111
1904 ...	14,152,101	13,133,857	27,285,958	9,918,050	23,089,785	33,007,835
1905 ...	14,938,885	14,485,123	29,424,008	12,263,472	24,493,530	36,757,002
1906 ...	15,291,198	19,434,201	34,725,399	14,231,503	31,018,274	45,249,777

NOTE.—The 1906 figures are preliminary, and subject to revision later.

No. 9.—Trade Comparison—Imports—Monthly.

Month.	1907.			1906.			Increase.
	Australian Produce.	Oversea Produce.	Total.	Australian Produce.	Oversea Produce.	Total.	
January ...	£ 1,499,770	£ 1,560,746	£ 3,060,516	£ 742,149	£ 1,093,356	£ 1,835,505	£ 1,225,011
February ...	1,213,964	1,805,776	3,019,740	929,638	1,435,593	2,365,231	654,509
Total (2 mths.) £	2,713,734	3,366,522	6,080,256	1,671,787	2,528,949	4,200,736	1,879,520

No. 10.—Trade Comparison—Exports—Monthly.

Month.	1907.			1906.			Increase.
	Oversea.	Interstate.	Total.	Oversea.	Interstate.	Total.	
January ...	£ 3,486,107	£ *	£	£ 2,568,357	£ 764,664	£ 3,333,021	£ 917,750
February ...	3,193,924	*	.....	3,171,497	804,766	3,976,263	†22,427
Total (2 mths.) £	6,680,031	.....	.....	5,739,854	1,569,430	7,309,284	†940,177

* Not yet available.

† Oversea only.

No. 11.—Principal Articles Imported during February, and during the two months—January to February.

Article.	1907.			1906.		
	Australian Produce.	Oversea Produce.	Total.	Australian Produce.	Oversea Produce.	Total.
February.						
Ale and Beer	£ 3,126	£ 14,795	£ 17,921	£ 757	£ 10,782	£ 11,539
Animals	89,830	4,526	94,356	20,148	3,443	23,591
Apparel and Soft Goods	37,712	477,718	515,430	29,780	368,088	397,868
Boots and Shoes	12,067	12,742	24,809	13,395	8,937	22,332
Cordage and Twines	1,831	25,199	27,030	1,642	26,901	28,543
Drugs and Chemicals	2,254	29,905	32,159	2,866	26,607	29,473
Fish—all kinds	339	42,506	42,845	241	19,290	19,531
Fruits—Dried	3,066	3,396	6,462	976	1,546	2,522
Fresh	18,807	8,407	27,214	10,860	6,971	17,831
Furniture	2,438	8,415	10,853	1,444	4,731	6,175
Glass and Glassware	727	20,061	20,788	1,101	9,570	10,670
Gold—Coined and Uncoined ...	399,501	92,916	492,417	146,835	96,899	243,734
Grain—Rice ... ... ...	.....	10,762	10,762	.....	2,646	2,646
Hats and Caps	6,686	18,508	25,194	4,702	15,098	19,800
Implements—Agricultural ...	8,390	7,649	16,039	9,242	9,366	18,608
Iron and Steel—Bar, Rod, &c. ...	185	35,801	35,986	213	34,407	34,620
Galvanized Sheet ...	.....	48,790	48,790	.....	40,069	40,069
Leather	8,350	13,673	22,023	8,224	11,699	10,923
Machines and Machinery ...	12,501	108,665	121,166	5,414	70,172	75,576
Metal Manufactures—Dutiable ...	6,783	47,450	54,233	436	78,943	79,379
Free ...	671	98,224	98,895	6,312	47,845	54,157
Oil—Kerosene ... ... ...	.....	32,045	32,045	.....	12,178	12,178
Spirits	3,874	46,705	50,579	2,785	37,300	40,085
Sugar	32,067	443	32,509	87,280	684	87,964
Tea ... ... ...	.....	51,399	51,399	.....	34,331	34,331
Timber	8,876	30,225	39,101	12,927	35,823	48,750
Tobacco, Cigars, &c. ...	10,991	21,541	32,532	19,270	30,849	50,119
Wine	3,207	2,107	5,314	3,530	4,763	8,293
Wool	112,923	1,809	114,732	111,400	190	111,590
Other Articles	426,763	489,394	916,157	427,858	385,465	813,323
Total	£ 1,213,964	£ 1,805,776	£ 3,019,740	929,638	£ 1,435,593	£ 2,365,231
January and February.						
Ale and Beer	5,545	30,586	36,131	2,452	23,202	25,054
Animals	130,323	7,992	138,315	34,467	5,996	40,463
Apparel and Soft Goods ...	59,953	840,138	900,091	50,212	610,672	660,884
Boots and Shoes	18,940	24,054	42,994	19,637	14,141	33,778
Cordage and Twines	3,403	42,671	46,074	2,797	37,633	40,430
Drugs and Chemicals	4,392	59,651	64,043	6,158	42,947	49,105
Fish—all kinds	694	58,284	58,978	609	38,691	39,300
Fruits—Dried	3,841	4,990	8,831	1,142	3,939	5,081
Fresh	41,497	15,226	56,723	24,727	10,026	34,753
Furniture	4,407	15,269	19,676	2,499	7,292	9,791
Glass and Glassware	1,293	30,689	31,982	1,791	15,412	17,203
Gold—Coined and Uncoined ...	1,111,244	169,102	1,280,346	323,416	244,506	567,922
Grain—Rice ... ... ...	.....	17,477	17,477	.....	11,025	11,025
Hats and Caps	9,296	31,522	40,818	6,329	26,231	32,560
Implements—Agricultural ...	13,016	17,960	31,576	12,922	12,351	25,273
Iron and Steel—Bar, Rod, &c. ...	343	61,101	61,444	248	54,404	54,652
Galvanized Sheet ...	.....	73,517	73,517	.....	57,899	57,899
Leather	13,938	28,665	42,603	12,232	20,988	33,220
Machines and Machinery ...	24,456	209,445	233,901	8,550	112,313	120,863
Metal Manufactures—Dutiable ...	6,986	119,471	126,457	1,771	118,853	120,624
Free ...	8,190	146,806	154,996	9,519	72,119	81,638
Oil—Kerosene ... ... ...	.....	57,306	57,306	.....	29,380	29,380
Spirits	6,626	87,634	94,260	4,198	55,483	59,681
Sugar	88,306	2,550	90,856	139,980	1,830	141,810
Tea ... ... ...	.....	101,946	101,946	.....	57,477	57,477
Timber	15,344	91,840	107,184	17,193	80,005	97,198
Tobacco, Cigars, &c. ...	18,843	47,459	66,302	25,351	50,073	75,424
Wine	7,310	6,180	13,490	5,926	6,842	12,768
Wool	255,838	2,290	258,128	233,765	287	234,052
Other Articles	859,110	964,701	1,823,811	723,896	706,932	1,430,828
Total	£ 2,713,734	£ 3,366,522	£ 6,080,250	£ 1,671,787	£ 2,528,940	£ 4,200,736

No. 12.—Principal Articles Exported Oversea during February, and during the two months—January and February.

Article.	1907.				1906.			
	Quantity.		Value.		Quantity.		Value.	
	Australian Produce.	Total.						
February.								
Animals—Horses ... No.	476	476	£12,130	£12,130	212	212	£5,275	£5,275
Butter lb.	3,000,368	3,000,368	£122,692	£122,692	2,602,291	2,602,291	108,871	108,871
Coal ton	199,481	199,481	98,419	98,419	172,681	172,681	74,168	74,168
Copper, Ingots & Matte cwt.	31,156	31,156	£158,748	£158,748	31,995	31,995	109,814	109,814
Fruits—Fresh cwt.	1,857	2,010	1,056	1,206	2,830	2,903	1,664	1,795
Gold—Coined, Uncoined	.....	.....	£161,793	£161,793	.....	.....	418,403	418,414
Grain—Wheat... ... cwt.	957,694	957,694	248,109	248,109	679,686	679,686	180,717	180,717
Flour "	59,224	59,224	21,474	21,474	58,220	58,220	22,214	22,232
Lead cwt.	72,146	72,146	67,696	67,696	102,132	102,132	76,897	76,897
Leather ... ...	.....	.....	27,895	31,166	.....	.....	19,572	20,267
Meats—Beef lb.	306,163	306,163	3,827	3,827	568,038	568,038	5,603	5,603
Mutton & Lamb ..,	3,190,321	3,190,321	39,049	39,049	4,700,831	4,700,831	48,120	48,120
Rabbits & Hares pair	319,152	319,152	13,711	13,711	239,105	239,105	10,700	10,700
Meat—Preserved ... lb.	198,408	199,094	3,786	3,812	527,402	527,954	11,987	12,005
Oil—Cocoanut cwt.	7,178	7,178	12,920	12,920	20	20	38	38
Ores ... ...	.....	.....	62,376	62,386	.....	.....	63,406	63,406
Silver Bullion oz.	156,610	156,610	20,527	20,527	128,811	128,811	16,006	16,006
Silver-lead Bullion cwt.	.....	.....	.....	.....	44,862	44,862	44,862	44,862
Skins—Hides No.	18,727	18,727	15,952	15,952	8,867	8,867	9,659	9,659
Sheep ...	298,964	298,964	35,787	35,787	466,929	466,929	45,981	45,981
Rabbit & Hare... lb.	320,463	320,463	10,553	10,553	499,639	499,639	14,154	14,154
Other ...	.....	.....	15,608	15,608	.....	.....	20,738	20,738
Tallow cwt.	23,461	23,561	35,487	35,612	36,696	36,696	45,870	45,870
Timber ... ...	.....	.....	13,105	15,289	.....	.....	23,915	25,894
Tin, Ingots cwt.	4,768	4,768	44,657	44,657	14,179	14,179	116,509	116,509
Wine gal.	2,144	2,268	857	1,027	2,519	2,669	771	1,058
Wool lb.	35,557,362	35,557,362	£1,817,098	£1,817,098	29,035,821	29,035,821	£1,558,533	£1,558,533
Other Articles ... ...	.....	.....	53,521	122,676	.....	.....	58,571	113,911
Total ... ... £	.....	.....	£3,118,833	£3,193,924	.....	.....	£3,113,018	£3,171,497
January and February.								
Animals—Horses ... No.	622	622	£14,532	£14,532	384	385	10,967	11,467
Butter lb.	7,143,022	7,143,022	295,302	295,302	5,877,238	5,877,238	252,164	252,164
Coal ton	347,931	347,931	169,358	169,358	263,378	263,378	112,340	112,340
Copper, Ingots & Matte cwt.	57,559	57,559	291,540	291,540	49,893	49,893	176,884	176,884
Fruits—Fresh cwt.	4,196	4,654	2,543	3,025	5,094	5,365	3,004	3,275
Gold—Coined, Uncoined	.....	.....	350,886	350,886	.....	.....	582,675	703,131
Grain—Wheat... ... cwt.	1,945,973	1,945,973	487,127	487,127	1,161,566	1,161,566	316,690	316,690
Flour "	150,393	150,413	54,522	54,532	105,140	105,140	40,559	40,557
Lead cwt.	196,381	196,381	180,027	180,027	148,950	148,950	113,175	113,175
Leather...	.....	.....	58,722	62,640	.....	.....	38,761	39,959
Meats—Beef lb.	674,254	674,254	8,243	8,243	1,665,321	1,665,321	17,758	17,758
Mutton & Lamb ..,	12,411,578	12,411,578	157,347	157,347	11,481,032	11,481,032	117,868	117,868
Rabbits & Hares pair	539,183	539,183	23,156	23,156	374,157	374,157	15,202	15,202
Meat—Preserved ... lb.	275,483	276,169	5,538	5,564	861,373	861,973	18,269	18,288
Oil—Cocoanut... ... ton	7,400	7,405	20,614	20,799	890	890	21,103	21,103
Ores ... ...	.....	.....	146,189	146,199	.....	.....	113,048	113,053
Silver Bullion oz.	520,851	520,851	69,958	69,958	175,389	242,811	21,519	30,522
Silver-lead Bullion cwt.	.....	.....	.....	.....	109,794	109,794	120,991	120,991
Skins—Hides No.	27,334	27,334	24,650	24,650	17,740	17,740	19,110	19,110
Sheep ...	701,888	701,888	84,180	84,180	848,169	848,169	92,341	92,341
Rabbit & Hare... lb.	473,589	473,589	15,424	15,424	676,373	676,373	19,704	19,704
Other ...	.....	.....	38,038	38,638	.....	.....	47,862	47,862
Tallow cwt.	59,699	59,799	92,386	92,511	68,673	68,673	84,157	84,157
Timber ... ...	.....	.....	42,673	46,312	.....	.....	43,241	46,038
Tin, Ingots cwt.	11,960	11,960	112,116	112,116	18,242	18,242	149,499	149,499
Wine gal.	3,669	3,898	1,277	1,616	11,819	12,324	2,378	3,011
Wool lb.	71,555,333	71,555,333	3,682,987	53,349,535	53,349,535	2,835,697	2,835,697	217,988
Other Articles ... ...	.....	.....	105,694	241,362	.....	.....	114,135	114,135
Total ... ... £	.....	.....	£6,535,629	£6,680,031	.....	.....	£5,501,101	£5,739,854

NOTE.—The difference between the value of Australian produce exported and the total export represents the value of produce of oversea origin re-exported.

No. 13.—Outward Interstate Transfers during January, 1907, and during the twelve months, January to December, 1906.

NOTE.—The figures for February, 1907, are not yet available.

Article.	1907.			1906.		
	Australian Produce.	Oversea Produce.	Total.	Australian Produce.	Oversea Produce.	Total.
January.						
Animals—Living	£ 119,725	£	£ 119,725	£ 105,824	£ 100	£ 105,924
Apparel and Soft Goods	7,702	20,932	28,634	7,383	16,209	23,592
Biscuits	4,462	94	4,556	2,372	2	2,374
Boots and Shoes—Leather	5,923	1,463	7,386	4,855	770	5,625
Butter	1,859	.....	1,859	421	1	422
Cement	2,860	9	2,869	828	43	871
Coal	69,361	.....	69,361	61,632	.....	61,632
Fruits—Fresh	4,627	1,603	6,230	5,225	997	6,222
Gold—Coined and Uncoined	744	.....	744	15,353	.....	15,353
Grain—Wheat	56,996	.....	56,996	103,352	.....	103,352
Flour	9,792	136	9,928	9,313	31	9,344
Hats and Caps	1,235	2,146	3,381	1,017	1,561	2,578
Leather	4,755	4,947	9,702	6,010	3,354	9,364
Metal Manufactures—Dutiable ...	4,019	5,697	9,716	3,515	2,318	5,833
Free	1,672	3,501	5,173	530	1,099	1,629
Potatoes	1,319	.....	1,319	3,238	.....	3,238
Skins and Hides	12,972	80	13,052	13,412	.....	13,412
Soap	3,519	.....	3,519	4,700	3	4,703
Spelter, Concentrates, &c. ...	.....	.....	.....	6,913	.....	6,913
Spirits	1,253	5,747	7,000	1,293	5,095	6,388
Sugar	28,078	732	28,810	34,256	15	34,271
Tea ... ... ...	.....	8,224	8,224	.....	7,422	7,422
Timber	1,151	216	1,367	1,478	90	1,568
Tobacco, Cigars, &c. ...	14,030	3,053	17,083	14,166	2,940	17,106
Wool	187,313	.....	187,313	35,589	.....	35,589
Other Articles	333,208	87,798	421,006	207,581	72,358	279,939
Total £	878,575	146,378	1,024,953	650,256	114,408	764,664
Year 1906.						
Animals—Living	1,975,690	3,440	1,979,130	1,933,039	3,232	1,936,271
Apparel and Soft Goods	145,100	316,198	461,298	108,897	285,409	394,306
Biscuits	51,566	153	51,719	39,076	139	39,215
Boots and Shoes—Leather ...	126,584	16,953	143,537	111,894	10,221	122,115
Butter	48,659	17	48,676	86,365	18	86,383
Cement	33,856	414	34,270	32,440	445	32,885
Coal	891,446	.....	891,446	773,571	.....	773,571
Fruits—Fresh	119,422	12,643	132,065	121,132	4,315	125,447
Gold—Coined and Uncoined ...	691,769	3	691,772	470,296	5,018	475,314
Grain—Wheat	257,085	.....	257,085	194,242	7	194,249
Flour	176,307	744	177,051	136,105	1,126	137,231
Hats and Caps	30,889	9,031	39,920	24,582	25,704	50,286
Leather	94,719	54,462	149,181	68,372	36,079	104,451
Metal Manufactures—Dutiable ...	55,263	55,438	110,701	36,645	43,008	79,953
Free	20,909	35,855	56,764	17,198	30,915	48,113
Potatoes	34,154	.....	34,154	33,376	394	33,770
Skins and Hides	165,529	60	165,589	163,269	307	163,576
Soap	46,239	74	46,313	43,684	3,249	46,933
Spelter, Concentrates, &c. ...	239,504	6	239,510	1,291,553	44	1,291,597
Spirits	30,624	73,159	103,783	12,281	53,793	66,074
Sugar	222,685	5,178	227,863	276,818	13,861	290,679
Tea ... ... ...	.....	90,652	90,652	.....	101,698	101,698
Timber	38,804	3,415	42,219	25,912	2,937	28,849
Tobacco, Cigars, &c. ...	190,466	33,016	223,482	171,947	29,282	201,229
Wool	3,241,035	.....	3,241,035	2,255,769	.....	2,255,769
Other Articles	3,327,303	1,264,985	4,592,288	1,960,701	1,146,365	3,107,066
Total £	12,255,607	1,975,896	14,231,503	10,389,164	1,797,566	12,186,730

NOTE.—These figures are preliminary, and do not agree with those in Table 7.

No. 14.—Staple Produce Exported Oversea each Month.

Month.	Wool.	Wheat and Flour.	Butter.	Gold (coined and uncoined).	Lead and Silver-lead.	Copper.	Coal.
1906.	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
February ...	1,558,533	202,931	108,871	418,403	121,759	109,814	74,168
March ...	723,255	183,320	62,172	483,856	119,819	88,368	47,149
April ...	423,683	117,314	71,706	591,341	96,773	105,688	55,237
May ...	210,380	65,427	50,752	627,758	99,904	115,543	66,254
June ...	290,473	38,593	43,797	446,453	102,301	111,629	80,878
July ...	156,045	27,536	35,069	630,803	92,453	134,491	90,001
August ...	285,897	32,078	31,377	258,859	104,215	155,810	116,834
September ...	760,072	21,936	35,503	1,452,097	114,634	163,256	78,724
October ...	1,298,148	50,663	79,708	476,728	113,816	163,472	71,091
November ...	2,164,199	50,133	187,587	88,235	156,980	154,225	80,620
December ...	3,159,095	31,099	154,001	172,817	99,662	208,243	79,633
1907.							
January ...	1,865,889	272,066	172,610	189,093	112,331	132,792	70,939
February ...	1,817,098	269,583	122,692	163,793	67,696	158,748	98,419

No. 15.—Shipping.

Year.	Entered.		Cleared.		Tonnage entered.		Tonnage cleared.	
	Vessels.	Tonnage.	Vessels.	Tonnage.	Steam.	Sailing.	Steam.	Sailing.
1896 ...	2,414	3,005,328	2,464	3,034,957	2,303,531	701,797	2,316,744	718,213
1897 ...	2,563	3,258,461	2,652	3,358,933	2,562,513	695,948	2,618,385	740,548
1898 ...	2,602	3,402,629	2,653	3,400,970	2,736,388	666,241	2,732,516	668,454
1899 ...	2,406	3,399,349	2,523	3,468,485	2,790,046	609,303	2,839,578	628,907
1900 ...	2,784	4,014,755	2,714	3,855,748	3,206,657	808,098	3,140,449	715,299
1901 ...	2,760	4,133,200	2,853	4,274,101	3,460,193	673,007	3,513,265	760,836
1902 ...	2,888	4,367,739	2,835	4,325,480	3,704,268	663,471	3,680,850	644,630
1903 ...	2,953	4,463,648	3,007	4,466,916	3,683,142	780,506	3,649,600	817,316
1904 ...	2,718	4,419,179	2,767	4,460,014	3,769,303	649,876	3,745,584	714,430
1905 ...	2,725	4,697,511	2,694	4,684,108	4,051,884	645,627	4,041,184	642,924
1906 ...	2,893	5,283,719	2,883	5,275,031	4,659,821	623,898	4,658,235	616,796
Jan., Feb., 1907	466	893,419	467	889,265	771,542	121,877	775,122	114,143
Jan., Feb., 1906	430	779,852	430	778,786	683,740	96,112	687,359	91,427
Feb., 1907 ...	245	425,881	240	424,758	351,377	74,504	356,671	68,087
Feb., 1906 ...	197	362,101	216	392,608	313,576	48,525	342,700	49,908

No. 16.—Trade with Principal Countries.

Country.	1885.	1890.	1895.	1900.	1905.	1906.
Imports.						
Australian States	... 7,595,806	10,049,648	6,758,140	10,164,080	14,938,885	15,291,198
United Kingdom	... 11,985,597	8,628,007	6,420,107	9,923,117	8,602,288	10,047,928
Canada...	... ....	18,784	61,742	114,321	73,443	150,132
Fiji	... 192,540	99,853	27,890	60,831	43,232	55,478
Hongkong	... 340,187	271,730	181,529	67,928	89,351	102,680
India and Ceylon	... 134,909	239,070	306,932	601,741	717,948	848,792
New Zealand	... 899,623	932,073	563,528	1,348,605	1,369,001	2,094,508
South Africa	... 290	55	34	1,013	5,254	3,263
Straits Settlements	... 40,913	27,148	14,074	40,391	82,830	103,636
Other British Possessions	... 109,850	6,685	18,820	118,929	67,167	87,570
Total, British Countries	21,299,715	20,273,053	14,352,796	22,440,956	25,989,399	28,785,185
Belgium	... 195,318	130,819	150,288	147,661	222,994	334,805
China	... 303,595	241,840	133,870	190,456	28,631	10,823
France	... 345,231	117,871	76,663	270,084	138,028	118,173
Germany	... 372,557	639,475	425,697	1,105,664	864,289	1,037,771
Italy	... 1,311	23,961	39,503	92,732	73,757	78,706
Japan	... 1,242	22,040	28,179	122,041	145,257	180,519
New Caledonia	... 82,181	83,920	28,315	28,509	18,399	33,667
Philippine Islands	... 715	4,414	15,211	49,240	27,854	30,436
South Sea Islands	... 36,929	40,214	54,436	107,488	103,142	132,732
United States	... 1,008,572	859,102	624,268	2,557,961	1,630,069	1,702,428
Other Foreign Countries	... 90,095	178,295	63,099	448,279	176,189	380,456
Total, Foreign Countries	2,437,746	2,341,951	1,639,619	5,120,115	3,434,609	4,109,516
Total, All Countries	23,737,461	22,615,004	15,992,415	27,561,071	29,424,008	32,894,701
Exports.						
Australian States	... 6,567,084	10,990,593	7,104,812	9,979,190	12,263,472	14,231,503
United Kingdom	... 7,293,133	6,623,431	9,371,418	8,273,272	10,222,422	12,174,155
Canada	... ....	10	16,804	66,403	41,520	723,308
Fiji	... 128,643	98,951	86,420	183,579	245,152	307,247
Hongkong	... 246,032	255,050	141,976	218,986	424,460	431,748
India and Ceylon	... 130,597	257,360	56,462	174,296	1,330,189	1,546,539
New Zealand	... 369,055	294,138	486,173	826,662	934,661	1,300,026
South Africa	... ....	1,014	3,266	755,487	371,727	367,009
Straits Settlements	... 29,190	34,347	24,507	39,898	70,991	160,996
Other British Possessions	... 30,318	27,469	31,268	49,586	89,969	88,931
Total, British Countries	14,794,052	18,582,363	17,323,106	20,567,359	25,994,563	31,331,462
Belgium	... 399,549	1,011,846	780,826	620,349	1,787,163	3,263,310
China	... 21,114	1,037	7,943	68,004	318,159	97,930
France	... 142,104	233,924	1,436,122	1,024,300	3,570,246	3,179,531
Germany	... 29,511	404,280	1,141,661	844,504	2,771,396	2,294,260
Italy	... 1,769	24,498	63,509	61,132	176,770	128,674
Japan	... 2,758	7,156	54,242	133,989	377,451	633,730
New Caledonia	... 153,094	193,396	71,344	179,761	135,446	122,102
Philippine Islands	... ....	16,410	18,603	88,043	183,853	234,658
South Sea Islands	... 68,854	45,290	68,713	126,834	141,381	119,333
United States	... 985,531	1,300,375	683,606	3,981,242	602,145	2,963,628
Other Foreign Countries	... 151,771	225,362	285,110	468,999	698,429	850,017
Total, Foreign Countries	1,956,055	3,463,574	4,611,679	7,597,157	10,762,439	13,887,173
Total, All Countries	16,750,107	22,045,937	21,934,785	28,164,516	36,757,002	45,218,635

No. 17.—Banks of Issue—Liabilities.

(Thirteen Banks.)

NOTE.—Liabilities to Shareholders are not included.

Quarter ended 31st December.	Notes in Circulation.	Bills in Circulation.	Deposits.			Balances due to other Banks.	Total Liabilities.	
			Not bearing Interest.	Bearing Interest.	Total.			
1895	£ 1,223,864	£ 117,327	£ 10,222,437	£ 20,406,822	£ 30,629,259	£ 66,602	£ 32,037,952
1896	1,237,971	111,889	10,707,611	19,128,305	29,835,916	69,000	31,254,776
1897	1,227,964	112,113	10,582,621	19,024,114	29,606,735	79,711	31,026,523
1898	1,278,940	125,414	10,812,215	19,040,496	29,852,711	54,228	31,311,293
1899	1,340,557	202,468	11,779,918	19,648,107	31,428,025	84,009	33,955,059
1900	1,447,041	209,905	12,224,510	20,009,081	32,233,591	78,594	33,969,731
1901	1,499,937	218,943	12,841,599	20,416,857	33,258,456	100,496	35,077,832
1902	1,454,415	208,521	12,587,997	20,472,785	33,059,882	207,610	34,930,428
1903	1,378,642	228,059	12,591,637	19,986,224	32,577,861	65,979	34,250,541
1904	1,345,934	196,995	12,642,715	20,638,560	33,281,275	77,928	34,901,232
1905	1,430,335	218,555	14,859,427	22,211,628	37,071,055	140,118	38,860,063
1906	1,564,670	313,946	16,834,690	22,585,802	39,420,492	117,629	41,416,737
31 March, 1906	...	1,446,195	252,569	16,076,815	22,826,225	38,903,040	223,744	40,825,548
30 June, 1906	...	1,461,640	244,061	15,773,883	23,325,730	39,099,613	213,335	41,018,649
30 Sept., 1906	...	1,440,536	231,526	15,643,164	22,933,614	38,576,778	128,310	40,377,150

No. 18.—Banks of Issue—Assets.

(Thirteen Banks.)

Quarter ended 31st December.	Coin.	Bullion.	Landed Property.	Notes and Bills discounted, and all other debts due to the Banks.	Notes and Bills of other Banks.	Balances due from other Banks.	Total Assets.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1895	...	7,364,659	151,619	1,919,017	35,707,153	222,731	257,150 45,622,329
1896	...	6,760,851	187,845	1,914,483	35,116,696	223,487	324,466 44,527,828
1897	...	5,766,554	175,037	1,816,691	35,697,494	227,427	297,519 43,980,722
1898	...	5,564,870	200,310	1,812,804	34,403,700	256,997	399,543 42,638,224
1899	...	5,865,622	217,136	1,819,359	33,688,862	287,030	316,652 42,194,661
1900	...	5,933,076	193,050	1,874,099	34,385,388	246,998	403,816 43,036,427
1901	...	5,814,180	171,545	1,744,664	35,068,787	259,202	379,181 43,437,559
1902	...	6,329,551	223,172	1,789,902	34,654,744	287,025	346,097 43,630,491
1903	...	5,824,539	226,307	1,804,956	34,686,452	304,418	318,904 43,165,576
1904	...	6,175,911	276,446	1,808,266	32,798,708	283,002	264,615 41,606,948
1905	...	8,624,083	199,177	1,799,232	32,447,658	326,750	297,237 43,694,137
1906	...	7,247,347	260,016	1,819,417	34,415,596	335,979	379,602 44,457,957
31 March, 1906	...	8,636,994	191,131	1,822,947	31,604,708	314,746	381,305 42,951,831
30 June, 1906	...	8,192,525	163,246	1,833,992	32,056,712	297,107	395,989 42,939,571
30 Sept., 1906	...	7,546,238	215,059	1,823,346	33,166,498	289,016	324,395 43,364,552

No. 19.—Banks' Exchange Settlements, Sydney.

Year		Amount.	Year.		Amount.
		£			£
1895	...	109,265,984	1901	...	167,676,706
1896	...	116,962,784	1902	...	178,637,708
1897	...	121,645,824	1903	...	180,961,406
1898	...	126,978,018	1904	...	177,797,334
1899	...	146,188,144	1905	...	189,826,381
1900	...	144,080,313	1906	...	220,860,512
Total, 1st January to 25th February, 1907		...	...	...	39,148,030
"	"	26th	1906	...	35,233,178

No. 20.—Savings Banks.

Year.	Number of Depositors.	Value of Deposits.	Increase in Deposits during Year.	Amount Deposited.	
				Per Depositor.	Per Inhabitant.
	No.	£	£	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
1895	202,802	8,073,575	856,575	39 16 2	6 7 11
1896	213,608	8,522,623	449,048	39 18 0	6 13 3
1897	227,629	9,136,793	614,170	40 2 9	7 0 5
1898	242,365	9,480,944	344,151	39 2 4	7 3 4
1899	260,825	10,069,434	588,490	38 12 1	7 9 10
1900	282,643	10,901,382	831,948	38 11 5	7 19 9
1901	306,311	11,808,710	907,328	38 11 0	8 11 2
1902	323,212	12,425,464	616,754	38 8 10	8 16 7
1903	331,956	12,344,623	(—) 80,841	37 3 9	8 12 5
1904	339,602	12,743,735	399,112	37 10 6	8 15 2
1905	355,714	13,498,252	754,517	37 18 11	9 1 6

(—) Denotes decrease.

No. 21.—Life Assurance.—Business in force (exclusive of Industrial).

NOTE.—This Table refers to all offices doing business in New South Wales.

Year.	Number of Policies.	Assurances.			Annual Premium Income.
		Sums Assured (exclusive of Bonuses).	Bonus Additions.	Total.	
1895	270,673	79,085,735	9,259,337	88,345,072	2,675,331
1896	280,113	80,587,515	9,475,207	90,062,722	2,714,808
1897	290,112	82,216,900	9,721,036	91,937,936	2,769,612
1898	306,916	85,630,767	11,093,343	96,724,110	2,903,218
1899	327,618	89,996,612	10,533,800	100,530,412	3,037,142
1900	349,485	93,888,153	11,190,189	105,078,342	3,168,898
1901	372,823	98,168,271	11,510,243	109,678,514	3,327,803
1902	392,369	102,006,915	11,507,608	113,514,523	3,467,718
1903	418,745	107,786,226	12,585,828	120,372,054	3,677,680
1904	440,005	112,357,451	13,418,599	125,776,050	3,845,577
1905	459,675	116,115,582	13,846,138	129,961,720	3,982,421

No. 22.—Life Assurance.—Assets and Liabilities.

NOTE.—This table refers only to Australasian offices doing business in New South Wales.

Year.	Assets.			Liabilities.		
	Loans on Mortgages and Policies.	Government and Municipal Securities, Freehold Property, Cash on Deposit, &c.	Total.	Assurance, Endowment, and Annuity Funds.	Paid-up Capital, Reserve Funds, &c.	Total.
1895	£ 15,600,229	£ 5,896,830	£ 21,497,059	£ 20,475,205	£ 1,021,854	£ 21,497,059
1896	£ 16,597,379	£ 5,736,667	£ 22,334,046	£ 21,399,835	£ 934,211	£ 22,334,046
1897	£ 17,360,627	£ 6,036,232	£ 23,396,859	£ 22,537,196	£ 859,663	£ 23,396,859
1898	£ 17,038,041	£ 7,484,151	£ 24,522,192	£ 23,654,709	£ 867,483	£ 24,522,192
1899	£ 18,272,621	£ 7,777,844	£ 26,050,465	£ 25,130,924	£ 919,541	£ 26,050,465
1900	£ 19,013,579	£ 8,457,644	£ 27,471,223	£ 26,491,025	£ 980,198	£ 27,471,223
1901	£ 19,048,449	£ 9,891,691	£ 28,940,140	£ 27,932,313	£ 1,007,827	£ 28,940,140
1902	£ 19,680,288	£ 10,910,198	£ 30,590,486	£ 29,518,852	£ 1,071,634	£ 30,590,486
1903	£ 20,599,387	£ 11,609,060	£ 32,208,447	£ 31,160,834	£ 1,047,613	£ 32,208,447
1904	£ 21,739,875	£ 12,501,434	£ 34,241,309	£ 33,264,382	£ 976,927	£ 34,241,309
1905	£ 22,072,061	£ 13,795,301	£ 35,867,362	£ 34,915,842	£ 951,520	£ 35,867,362

No. 23.—Area under Crop.

Year ended 31st March.	Wheat.	Maize.	Oats.	Sugar-cane (area cut).	Hay.	Vines. Wine-making.	All Crops.
	acres.	acres.	acres.	acres.	acres.	acres.	acres.
1896	... 596,684	211,104	23,750	14,398	319,296	4,390	1,348,600
1897	... 866,112	211,382	39,530	18,194	327,209	4,608	1,659,717
1898	... 993,350	209,588	28,605	12,936	401,073	4,490	1,821,829
1899	... 1,319,503	193,286	19,874	14,578	461,784	4,573	2,204,500
1900	... 1,426,166	214,697	29,125	9,435	554,048	4,602	2,439,639
1901	... 1,530,609	206,051	29,383	10,472	466,236	4,534	2,445,564
1902	... 1,392,070	167,333	32,245	8,790	442,163	4,889	2,276,528
1903	... 1,279,760	202,437	42,992	8,899	491,918	5,041	2,245,839
1904	... 1,561,111	226,834	51,621	10,405	496,017	5,101	2,542,919
1905	... 1,775,955	193,614	40,471	9,772	435,704	5,928	2,672,973
1906	... 1,939,447	189,353	38,543	10,313	438,036	5,279	2,838,081

No. 24.—Production of Crops.

Year ended 31st March.	Wheat.	Maize.	Oats.	Sugar-cane.	Hay.	Wine.	Total value of Agricultural Production.
	bushels.	bushels.	bushels.	tons.	tons.	gallons.	£
1896	... 5,195,312	5,687,030	374,196	207,771	229,671	885,673	4,100,709
1897	... 8,853,445	5,754,217	834,633	320,276	334,902	794,256	5,373,614
1898	... 10,560,111	6,713,060	543,946	269,068	405,353	864,514	6,249,677
1899	... 9,276,216	6,064,842	278,007	289,206	334,297	845,232	4,874,696
1900	... 13,604,166	5,976,022	627,904	170,509	546,850	739,668	5,609,437
1901	... 16,173,771	6,292,745	593,548	199,118	526,260	891,190	5,855,674
1902	... 14,808,705	3,844,993	687,179	187,711	472,621	868,479	7,060,203
1903	... 1,585,097	3,049,269	351,758	183,105	243,379	806,140	4,138,627
1904	... 27,334,141	6,836,740	1,252,156	227,511	816,810	1,086,820	8,358,920
1905	... 16,464,415	4,985,132	652,646	199,640	366,293	928,160	5,413,714
1906	... 20,737,200	5,539,750	883,081	201,998	459,182	831,700	6,543,000

No. 25.—Average Yield per acre of Crops.

Year ended 31st March.	Wheat.	Maize.	Oats.	Sugar-cane.	Hay.	Wine.	Value per acre.
	bushels.	bushels.	bushels.	tons.	tons.	gallons.	£ s. d.
1896	... 8.7	27.0	15.8	14.4	0.7	202	3 0 10
1897	... 10.2	27.2	21.1	17.6	1.0	172	3 4 9
1898	... 10.6	32.0	19.0	20.8	1.0	193	3 8 7
1899	... 7.0	31.4	14.0	19.8	0.7	185	2 4 3
1900	... 9.5	27.8	21.6	18.1	1.0	160	2 6 0
1901	... 10.6	30.5	20.2	19.0	1.1	197	2 8 0
1902	... 10.6	22.9	21.3	21.4	1.1	178	3 2 0
1903	... 1.2	15.1	8.2	20.9	0.5	160	1 16 10
1904	... 17.5	30.1	24.3	21.9	1.6	213	3 5 9
1905	... 9.3	25.6	16.1	20.4	0.8	175	2 0 6
Mean for 10 years	9.7	27.1	18.4	19.1	.97	183	2 12 8
1906	... 10.7	29.3	22.9	19.6	1.0	157	2 6 1

No. 26.—Live Stock.

Year ended 31st December.	Horses.	Cattle.		Sheep.	Pigs.
		Dairy Cows.	All other.		
		No.	No.	No.	No.
1895	...	499,943	358,411	1,791,646	47,617,687
1896	...	510,636	400,183	1,825,980	48,318,790
1897	...	498,934	409,098	1,673,598	43,952,897
1898	...	491,553	416,053	1,613,463	41,241,004
1899	...	482,200	399,327	1,567,754	36,213,514
1900	...	481,417	420,148	1,562,968	40,020,506
1901	...	486,716	417,835	1,629,619	41,857,099
1902	...	450,125	351,287	1,389,939	26,649,424
1903	...	458,014	*523,438	1,357,140	28,656,501
1904	...	482,663	*591,936	1,557,193	34,526,894
1905	...	506,884	*644,164	1,693,809	39,506,764
					23,379,73
					310,702

* Prior to 1903 the figures include only the cows actually in milk at the time the returns were taken. The 1903 figures include 117,679 cows dry at the time, and 43,330 heifers within three months of calving. The figures for 1904 are 131,595 and 35,405 respectively, and for 1905, 154,649 and 46,559 respectively.

No. 27.—Production—Pastoral and Dairying.

Year.	Wool (as in the grease).	Tallow.	Butter.	Cheese.	Bacon and Hams.
					lb.
1895	...	343,040,000	1,077,215	23,295,512	2,938,785
1896	...	320,267,000	570,983	25,874,277	4,019,844
1897	...	303,315,000	656,973	29,409,966	3,937,168
1898	...	292,165,000	466,102	31,483,601	3,245,312
1899	...	254,833,000	389,838	33,033,881	2,385,987
1900	...	237,660,000	444,429	41,479,794	3,558,823
1901	...	310,075,000	450,713	39,056,878	3,838,835
1902	...	217,411,000	251,188	29,950,977	4,148,038
1903	...	227,004,000	235,198	38,727,107	4,748,176
1904	...	249,140,000	356,800	53,591,243	4,223,621
1905	...	297,154,000	492,734	53,040,250	4,625,980
					11,602,440

No. 28.—Price Levels.

The index numbers are calculated on the f.o.b. prices, Sydney, based on London prices of principal articles of domestic produce exported. The average prices of 1901 are adopted as basis and called 1,000.

Period.	General Index— all articles.	Index of Pastoral Products—Wool, Tallow, Hides, Leather, &c.	Index of Metals—Silver Lead, Copper, Tin.
1901—average of year	1,000	1,000
1902	...	1,065	1,096
1903	...	1,065	1,125
1904	...	1,071	1,112
1905	...	1,150	1,192
1906	...	1,277	1,316
February, 1902	...	1,010	988
," 1903	...	1,085	1,171
," 1904	...	1,053	1,097
," 1905	...	1,073	1,071
," 1906	...	1,243	1,310
September, "	...	1,277	1,283
October, "	...	1,293	1,268
November, "	...	1,303	1,404
December, "	...	1,346	1,381
January, 1907	1,368	1,426
February, 1907	...	1,377	1,418
			1,619

No. 29.—Average Prices in London of New South Wales Produce—Monthly.

Month.	Wheat.	Flour.	Butter.		Wool.		Tallow.
			Top.	Bottom.	Greasy.	Scoured.	
	per qr. s. d.	per ton. £ s. d.	per cwt. s.	per cwt. s.	per lb. d.	per lb. s. d.	per cwt. s. d.
January, 1906	31 6	8 7 0	116	108	11 $\frac{1}{2}$	1 9	27 6
February,	31 3	8 5 0	106	101	11 $\frac{3}{4}$	1 9	28 0
March,	31 6	8 5 0	104	94	12 $\frac{1}{4}$	1 9 $\frac{1}{2}$	28 0
April,	31 6	8 1 0	95	90	12 $\frac{1}{4}$	1 9 $\frac{1}{2}$	28 0
May,	31 3	8 6 0	97	95	12 $\frac{1}{2}$	1 10	27 6
June,	30 9	8 1 0	97	94	12 $\frac{1}{2}$	1 10	28 9
July,	31 3	8 0 0	103	94	12	1 9	28 9
August,	30 9	7 17 0	112	106	11 $\frac{1}{2}$	1 8	29 0
September,	30 6	7 17 0	114	111	11 $\frac{1}{2}$	1 8	29 0
October,	31 0	7 11 0	119	113	11 $\frac{1}{4}$	1 8 $\frac{1}{4}$	28 6
November,	30 9	7 9 0	117	111	11 $\frac{1}{4}$	1 8	30 0
December,	29 9		109	106	12 $\frac{1}{4}$	1 9	34 0
January, 1907	30 6	7 11 0	104	96	12 $\frac{1}{2}$	1 9	35 0
February,	30 9	7 16 0	101	96	12 $\frac{1}{2}$	1 9	36 0

* No quotations.

No. 30.—Average Wholesale Prices in Sydney of N.S.W. Agricultural and Dairy Produce—Monthly.

Month.	Wheat (Milling).	Flour.	Bran.	Pollard.	Oats.	Maize.						
							per bushel. s. d.	per ton. £ s. d.	per bushel. d.	per bushel. d.	per bushel. s. d.	per bushel. s. d.
January, 1906	3 2 $\frac{1}{2}$	7 15 0	9 $\frac{1}{2}$	11 $\frac{3}{4}$	2 10 $\frac{1}{2}$	4 2					
February,	3 1 $\frac{5}{8}$	7 9 9	10 $\frac{3}{4}$	11	2 8 $\frac{3}{4}$	3 1 $\frac{1}{4}$					
March,	3 2 $\frac{1}{4}$	7 7 9	9 $\frac{7}{8}$	9 $\frac{7}{8}$	2 7 $\frac{3}{8}$	3 1 $\frac{1}{2}$					
April,	3 4	7 6 9	10 $\frac{1}{8}$	10 $\frac{1}{8}$	2 10 $\frac{3}{4}$	2 9					
May,	3 5 $\frac{5}{8}$	7 13 6	11 $\frac{5}{8}$	11 $\frac{5}{8}$	3 2 $\frac{1}{4}$	2 7 $\frac{1}{4}$					
June,	3 6	7 17 6	11	11	3 3 $\frac{3}{4}$	2 8					
July,	3 5 $\frac{7}{8}$	7 15 0	10 $\frac{3}{8}$	10 $\frac{1}{2}$	3 4 $\frac{1}{4}$	2 10					
August,	3 5 $\frac{1}{2}$	7 15 0	10	10	3 4	2 11					
September,	3 3 $\frac{5}{8}$	7 13 0	9 $\frac{1}{8}$	9 $\frac{1}{2}$	3 3	2 8 $\frac{3}{4}$					
October,	3 2 $\frac{3}{4}$	7 9 9	8 $\frac{3}{4}$	10	2 7	6 $\frac{3}{4}$					
November,	3 0 $\frac{3}{8}$	7 7 6	7 $\frac{1}{2}$	9 $\frac{3}{4}$	2 1 $\frac{5}{8}$	2 6 $\frac{3}{8}$					
December,	3 0	7 7 6	7 $\frac{3}{4}$	9	2 2	2 5 $\frac{1}{2}$					
January, 1907	2 10 $\frac{3}{4}$	6 17 6	8 $\frac{1}{2}$	8 $\frac{7}{8}$	2 3 $\frac{1}{4}$	2 6 $\frac{3}{4}$					
February,	3 0 $\frac{7}{8}$	7 3 0	8 $\frac{7}{8}$	8 $\frac{5}{8}$	3 1	2 5 $\frac{1}{2}$					

No. 31.—Gold produced.

Gold yield during the Years 1906 and 1907.

		1907.		1906.	
		Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.
		oz. fine.	£	oz. fine.	£
January ...	... ... ...	29,839	126,750	32,602	138,485
February	... ... ...	5,669	24,079	30,472	129,437
Total (2 months)	... ...	35,508	150,829	63,074	267,922

No. 32.—Quantity and Value of Minerals produced, 1905 and 1906.

Minerals.	1905.		1906.		Increase in Value.	Decrease in Value.
	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.		
Metallic—		£		£	£	£
Gold ... oz. fine	274,267	1,165,013	253,987	1,078,866	.....	86,147
Silver „	417,520	52,196	284,994	36,431	.....	15,765
Silver—lead and ore ... ton	441,447	2,441,856	371,939	2,826,542	384,686	.....
Lead—pig, &c... „	210	2,657	59	1,084	.....	1,573
Zinc spelter & concentrates „	103,532	221,155	103,666	292,806	71,651	.....
Tin ingots and ore ... „	1,957	226,110	1,671	255,744	29,634	.....
Copper ingots and ore ... „	8,592	527,403	9,755	789,527	262,124	.....
Antimony and ore ... „	388	5,221	2,451	52,645	47,424	.....
Bismuth „	55	20,763	25	5,700	.....	15,063
Wolfram „	86	7,361	132	9,057	1,696	.....
Scheelite „	138	10,122	109	7,647	.....	2,475
Molybdenite „	19	2,507	33	4,798	2,291	.....
Platinum oz.	398	825	205	623	.....	202
Non-metallic—						
Coal ton	6,632,138	2,003,461	7,626,362	2,337,227	333,766	.....
Coke „	162,961	100,306	186,060	110,607	10,301	.....
Kerosene shale „	38,226	21,247	32,446	28,470	7,223	.....
Alunite „	2,702	6,750	1,856	4,637	.....	2,113
Limestone flux „	14,941	9,519	12,788	7,463	.....	2,056
Ironstone flux „	6,801	4,525	935	723	.....	3,802
Marble ... ... ... ..	.....	2,420	.....	1,518	.....	902
Diamonds carat	6,354	3,745	2,827	2,120	.....	1,625
Opal ... ... ... „	.....	59,000	.....	56,500	.....	2,500
Sundry minerals ... ..	.....	2,919	.....	1,981	.....	938
Total ... ... £	.....	6,897,081	.....	7,912,716	1,015,635	.....
					Net increase	.....

NOTE.—The above table does not include iron made from scrap valued at £85,693 in 1905 and £112,848 in 1906, nor lime and Portland cement valued at £103,119 and £144,060, respectively, in 1905 and 1906. These items are accounted for in the manufacturing returns.

No. 33.—Value of Minerals Produced.

Year.	Gold.	Silver, Silver-lead, and Ore.	Copper.	Tin.	Coal.	Total Minerals Produced.
1896	1,073,860	1,585,451	197,814	68,546	1,125,281	4,431,643
1897	1,104,315	1,698,239	283,174	49,900	1,230,941	4,648,119
1898	1,201,743	1,704,055	272,686	45,638	1,271,833	4,801,585
1899	1,623,320	2,070,657	395,451	90,482	1,325,799	6,089,749
1900	1,070,920	2,604,117	425,301	142,724	1,668,911	6,362,078
1901	737,164	1,854,463	412,292	76,544	2,178,929	5,680,739
1902	684,970	1,440,179	307,806	59,593	2,206,598	5,102,321
1903	1,080,029	1,501,403	446,286	155,723	2,319,660	5,957,512
1904	1,146,109	2,065,540	406,001	188,377	1,994,952	6,243,261
1905	1,165,013	2,494,052	527,403	226,110	2,003,461	6,897,081
1906	1,078,866	2,862,973	789,527	255,744	2,337,227	7,912,716

No. 34.—Manufactories.

Year.	Number of Establish- ments.	Hands Employed.			Value of Plant and Machinery.	Total Wages Paid.	Value of Output.
		Males.	Females.	Total.			
1895	2,723	No.	No.	No.	£	£	£
1896	2,928	41,546	6,484	48,030	5,255,129	Not available.	
1897	2,826	42,908	6,932	49,840	5,035,905	"	
1898	2,839	44,333	7,106	51,439	5,294,228	"	
1899	2,912	44,673	7,845	52,518	5,435,696	"	
1900	3,077	47,063	8,583	55,646	5,640,384	"	
1901	3,367	50,516	10,263	60,779	5,707,640	4,974,216	Not available
1902	3,396	54,556	11,674	66,230	5,860,725	4,945,079	24,393,471
1903	3,476	54,326	11,943	66,269	6,795,843	5,080,740	Not available
1904	3,632	52,453	13,180	65,633	7,009,806	4,839,557	26,391,028
1905	3,700	53,457	14,579	68,036	7,536,903	5,012,758	27,159,230
		58,117	16,058	72,175	7,919,950	5,191,350	30,028,150

No. 35.—Railways.

Year ended 30th June.	Miles open for traffic.	Capital expended on lines open.	Net earnings.	Train miles run.	Net earnings per train mile.	Passengers carried.
	No.	£	£	No.	s. d.	No.
1896	2,531	36,852,194	1,268,529	7,719,618	3 3½	21,005,048
1897	2,640	37,369,205	1,413,524	8,130,405	3 5½	22,672,924
1898	2,691	37,719,402	1,412,143	8,340,338	3 4½	23,233,206
1899	2,707	37,992,276	1,454,831	8,806,647	3 3½	24,726,067
1900	2,811	38,477,269	1,394,052	8,894,352	3 1½	26,486,873
1901	2,846	38,932,781	1,530,578	10,763,697	2 10½	29,261,324
1902	3,026	40,565,073	1,401,317	11,649,059	2 4½	30,885,214
1903	3,139	41,654,977	1,048,594	11,548,338	1 9½	32,384,138
1904	3,281	42,288,517	1,177,473	10,400,503	2 3½	33,792,689
1905	3,281	43,062,550	1,491,869	10,467,886	2 10½	35,158,150
1906	3,390	43,626,063	1,926,407	11,863,682	3 3	37,500,531
*December, 1905 ...	3,370	43,602,550	550,435	3,097,139	3 6½	9,473,384
*December, 1906 ...	3,453	43,626,063	667,291	3,309,278	4 0½	10,500,118

* Quarter ended 31st December.

No. 36.—Current Rates of Wages.

Mechanics, Artisans, and others (without Board and Lodging).

Bakers (per week),	50/-	to 60/-
Blacksmiths, 10/- per day ; average,	50/-	
Boilermakers—		
$\frac{1}{3}$ per hour, new work	approximate average	
$\frac{1}{4}$ " old work		per week, 35/-
Brassfinishers, 1/- per hour ; average,	42/-	
Brassmoulders, $\frac{1}{3}$ " " " 50/-		
Bricklayers, $\frac{1}{4}\frac{1}{2}$ " " " 45/-		
Brickmakers, $\frac{1}{4}$ " " " 40/-		
Carpenters and joiners, $\frac{1}{3}$ per hour ; av'ge, 50/-		
Coach-painters, $\frac{1}{3}$ per hour ; average, 45/- to 50/-		
Coachsmiths, $\frac{1}{4}$ per hour ; average, 50/-		
Compositors (piecework)—		
1/- to $\frac{1}{1}$ per 1,000 ens.		
52/- per week (jobbing).		
Linotype (newspapers), $\frac{1}{3}$ per 1,000 ens.		
Time rate, $\frac{1}{6}$ per hour (day).		
" $\frac{1}{9}$ " (night).		
Cooper (piecework), 50/- to 60/- per week.		
Coppersmiths, $\frac{1}{4}$ per hour ; average, 50/-		
Engineers, $\frac{1}{3}$ to $\frac{1}{4}$ per hour ; average, 50/-		
Engine-drivers, 30/- to 50/- per week ; av'ge, 40/-		
Engine-fitters, $\frac{1}{3}$ to $\frac{1}{4}$ per hour ; average, 50/-		
Galvanised iron workers, $\frac{1}{1}\frac{1}{2}$ per hour ; av'ge, 50/-		
Gas-fitters, $\frac{1}{4}\frac{1}{2}$ per hour ; average, 55/-		
General labourers, 7/- per day.		
Skilled " 8/- " ; average, 40/-		
Ironmoulders, $\frac{1}{3}$ per hour ; average, 40/-		
Iron-turners, $\frac{1}{3}$ " " 50/-		

Average Wages for Adults in Factories (per week).

NOTE.—The averages stated indicate the approximate amount earned per week all the year round in the specified trades. An ordinary working day consists of eight hours. The rates shown are practically the minimum.

Interstate Steamers (per month).

Officers, chief, £14 to £17; 2nd, £11 to £13; 3rd, £9 to £10; 4th, £8.
 Engineers, chief, £20 to £27 10s.; 2nd, £16 to £19; 3rd, £14 to £15; 4th, £12.
 Firemen, £8 10s. to £10.
 Trimmers, £6 10s. to £7.
 Able seamen, £7.
 " " (sailing ships), average, £5.

State (New South Wales) Steamers.

Firemen, £9 to £10.

Trimmers, £7.

Able Seamen, £7 (6-hour watches).

No. 36.—Current Rates of Wages—continued.

Farm and Station Hands (with rations and lodging), per week or per year.

Married couples (without encumbrances), farm, £65; station, £70 to £80.	Stockmen, £45 to £52.
Farm labourers, 15/-.	Country blacksmiths, station, 30/-; general (without station rations), 50/- to 60/-
Boundary riders, 15/- to 40/-.	Useful boys, 7/6 to 12/6.
Bullock drivers, 17/6 to 20/-.	Shearers (per 100 sheep), no rations, 20/-
Dairy hands, 12/6 to 20/-.	Harvest hands, 30/-
Rouseabouts and shed hands, 12/6 to 15/-.	Orchard hands, 10/- to 20/-
Horse team drivers, 20/- to 22/6.	Vignerons, 15/- to 17/6.

Domestic Servants (with board and lodging), per week.

Cooks—	House and parlourmaids, 12/- to 14/-
Hotel, 12/- to 30/-	General servants, 10/- to 18/-
Station, 20/- to 25/-	Gardeners, 12/6 to 25/-
Private house, 15/- to 20/-	Grooms and coachmen, 15/- to 20/-
Boarding house, 20/- to 30/-	Nursemaids, and assist in house, 6/- to 10/-
Laundresses, 20/-	Useful girls, 4/- to 8/-
Cook and laundress, 15/- to 20/-	Waitresses (board only), 12/- to 15/-

No. 37.—Postal Communication.

Year.	Post Offices open.	Letters carried.	Post cards and letter cards carried.	Newspapers carried.	Packets, books, and parcels carried.	Miles of telegraph line.	Telegrams transmitted.
						No.	No.
1895	...	1,972	68,079,018	1,294,690	44,902,900	11,682,072	12,316 2,635,456
1896	...	2,006	68,845,675	1,406,560	45,558,340	16,109,750	12,418 2,796,776
1897	...	2,046	72,490,144	1,534,710	42,426,394	13,258,207	12,778 2,728,360
1898	...	2,098	75,119,595	1,862,100	42,570,850	17,093,767	13,242 2,866,570
1899	...	2,152	74,686,138	2,040,610	46,806,560	14,641,064	13,663 3,112,063
1900	...	2,189	77,361,604	2,241,090	51,500,920	14,558,454	14,065 3,219,907
1901	...	2,208	80,301,717	2,481,750	52,317,650	15,216,387	14,272 3,449,315
1902	...	2,216	88,077,145	2,704,250	47,763,350	16,995,440	14,356 3,627,369
1903	...	2,228	89,156,941	3,081,270	37,900,840	16,305,421	14,395 3,638,591
1904	...	2,239	93,752,099	4,518,088	40,384,812	19,485,389	14,491 3,637,280
1905	...	2,266	102,292,888	9,665,700	44,599,104	23,077,094	14,827 3,837,962

No. 38.—Meteorology.

District	February, 1907.					February— (Mean 1897-1906).			Mean annual— All previous years.	
	Temperature.			Rain- fall.	Number of days Rain.	Mean Temper- ature.	Rain- fall.	Number of days Rain.	Temper- ature.	Rain- fall.
	Mean.	Mean Max.	Mean Min.							
North Coast—										
Grafton ...	... 74°	86°1	61°9	7.14	11	79°1	2.58	9	68°4	38.85
Hunter and Manning—										
Singleton ...	... 71°8	82°6	60°9	1.49	6	75°2	1.52	3	64°4	29.85
Cumberland—										
Sydney ...	... 70°4	76°9	63°8	2.57	12	71°7	1.77	12	63°0	48.69
South Coast—										
Bega ...	... 69°7	82°2	57°2	0.93	3	79°6	5.44	6	59°8	32.23
Northern Tableland—										
Armidale ...	... 66°1	78°0	54°2	1.71	7	67°9	2.04	6	56°4	31.85
Central Tableland—										
Bathurst ...	... 69°3	85°1	53°5	1.25	2	71°4	0.98	4	57°2	23.95
Southern Tableland—										
Goulburn ...	... 65°1	78°1	52°0	0.88	3	67°7	1.13	5	56°4	25.83
North-western Slope—										
Gunnedah ...	... 78°8	94°2	63°3	0.90	2	80°6	1.50	4	66°2	24.89
Central-western Slope—										
Dubbo ...	... 77°5	95°4	59°5	0.20	1	80°0	0.88	4	63°6	22.42
South-western Slope—										
Wagga ...	... 77°1	95°7	58°5	0.83	2	77°9	0.41	3	61°6	21.87
North-western Plain—										
Moree ...	... 80°0	95°9	64°0	0.55	4	81°4	2.15	6	68°7	23.24
Central-western Plain—										
Coonamble ...	... 72°8	93°7	51°9	0.06	1	72°9	1.97	4	65°8	20.22
Riverina—										
Deniliquin ...	... 72°5	90°9	54°1	0.33	1	77°0	0.69	2	61°9	16.58